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TO AMEMBASSY BELGRADE

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TAGS: SCUL, YO

SUBJECT: YUGOSLAV CULTURAL DELEGATION

REF: BELGRADE 3611

1. IN VIEW FACT DELEGATION BEEN POSTPONED NUMBER OF TIMES IN PAST, DO NOT RPT NOT BELIEVE FURTHER POSTPONEMENT ADVISABLE. IF YUGOSLAV SIDE CANNOT ADHERE TO SEPTEMBER 21 DEPARTURE DATE, VISIT SHOULD BE CANCELLED.

2. HAVE CONSULTED WITH YUGOSLAV EMBASSY, URGING THAT VISIT BE KEPT ON SCHEDULE AND THAT LIST OF DELEGATES AND FIELDS OF INTEREST BE FORWARDED SOONEST. UNDERSTAND EMBASSY CABLED BELGRADE ON AUGUST 17 IN THIS VEIN.

3. WITH COOPERATION MICHAEL STRAIGHT HAVE ORGANIZED US DELEGATION TO MEET WITH YUGOSLAVS HERE IN WASHINGTON. IT WILL INCLUDE 8 TO TEN U.S. EXPERTS ON MUSEUMS, LIBRARIES, ETV, THEATER, CINEMA, PUBLISHING. PRESUME THESE ARE FIELDS YUGOSLAVS INTERESTED IN.

4. EMBASSY MAY WISH CONSIDER SENDING CAO BATOR TO PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS IN VIEW HIS KNOWLEDGE OF BACKGROUND

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OF VISIT. HE COULD BE EXTREMELY HELPFUL TO US SIDE IN

DEALING WITH YUGOSLAVS AND WOULD FIND EXPERIENCE HELPFUL IN
FUTURE DEALINGS WITH FAISECTC. PROBABLE THAT CU/EE DIRECTOR
CORIDEN WILL BE IN GENEVA DURING VISIT OF YUGOSLAVS. RUSH

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